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FESS' Got Talent benefits local charities



MELISSA MANGELSEN Fort Erie Times

Fort Erie Secondary School student Joe Shawana at FESS' Got Talent event held last Thursday. Shawana performed Sitting, Waiting, Wishing, receiving rave reviews from the judges and the audience. FESS' Got Talent was a benefit event for local charities Stars4Joshua and Breathe Deeply Alivia.

➤ FESS students
inspired by local
youth

Melissa Mangelsen
Fort Erie Times

Last Thursday Fort Erie Secondary School was host to FESS' Got Talent.

The annual talent show has been growing in popularity since it began four years ago.

This year two local charities, Stars4Joshua and Breathe Deeply Alivia, benefitted from the profits.

Breathe Deeply Alivia is a charity for young Alivia Tremblett who was born with a rare disease called congenital central hypoventilation syndrome, also known as Ondine's Curse. It is a disease that makes her stop breathing both in her sleep and while awake without any warning.

Funds raised at FESS' Got Talent went to help Alivia's family with medical expenses that are not covered by OHIP.

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Young talent entertains at FESS' Got Talent

Friends of FESS
committee
bring talent to
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show

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Stars4Joshua is a charity started for five-year-old Joshua Vethaak, who was diagnosed at the age of one with Cerebral Palsy. It effects the left side of his body and brain. He is also living with Global Development Delay, cortical vision and epileptic seizures.

Stars4Joshua is raising money for a wheelchair accessible vehicle for

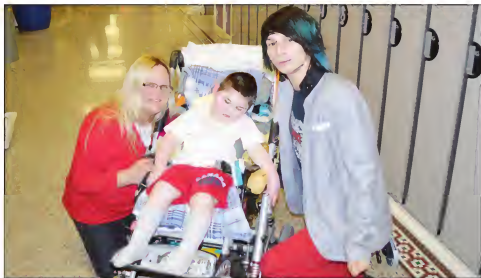
young Joshua. Currently his only mode of transportation is his grandmother's Jimmy, which is becoming increasingly difficult to get Joshua in and out of.

FESS' Got Talent had 13 young performers take to the stage to show off their talent and help out two worthy causes.

Guest judges were
Tristan Ledingham
Jackson, Brian Barber,
Enzo Herrena, Brittany
Hebbourn, Amanda
Leonard and Carina
Frammatto.

The event was hosted by the Friends of FESS committee.

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MELISSA MANGELSEN
Fort Erie Times

Above, Grandmother Maureen Richardson with her grandson Joshua Vethaak and Rise Against Bullying founder Justin Preston at FESS' Got Talent event. Money raised went to help with the purchase of a wheelchair accessible vehicle for Joshua.

At left, FESS student William Conhiser, left, wowed the crowd when he took to the stage to dance to Psy's Gangnam Style. Judges loved his high-energy performance and his stage presence. MC for the evening was Dalton Bird, right.



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Lending a helping hand to Community Living

Sarah Ferguson
Fort Erie Times

More than 20 volunteers proved Wednesday that many hands make light work.

Students from Fort Erie Secondary School and the Fort Erie Garden Club partnered to celebrate Community Living Month

by cleaning up one of the homes that serves individuals supported by Community Living Fort Erie.

"The volunteer work is done as part of the Helping Hands Project, said Margaret Fiddler, manager of community development for Community Living Fort Erie.

The event is designed to

reach out to assist the people Community Living supports to beautify the yards around their homes.

"This home that we are working on today serves mostly people in wheel chairs and it makes it difficult for them to get out and garden, Fiddler said.

The Helping Hands initiative allows FESS students

to "give back" to the community by making a difference for others and donating their time.

Students from Fort Erie Secondary School had the opportunity to "give back" to others through this event. They came out to make a difference for others by donating their time.

FESS has a long-standing

relationship with Community Living. FESS teacher Ryan Timbers said.

"We have students from year to year who ask when it's time to get involved (with the Helping Hands Project," Timbers said.

Timbers said the initiative teaches students about the importance of volunteerism.

Fiddler said the Helping Hands Project and other initiatives like it would not be possible without the support of the community.

"The Fort Erie community has always been very generous," she said.

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Fort Erie Secondary School students and members of the Fort Erie Garden Club lend a hand and help clean up the yard of one of those homes that services individuals supported by Community Living Fort Erie.

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"Last year's tournament was a fantastic event bringing together more

than 80 local business owners, employees, management teams, political dignitaries, and families and friends for 18 holes of golf," said Karen Audet, Chamber Operations Manager. "We anticipate a repeat of last year's success, offering a day for the entire community to net-

work and enjoy the beautiful course, driving range, great food, and many prizes."

The format of the tournament is a 4-person scramble/ best ball. Attendees register at 11:30 a.m., receive their registration gift, enjoy a barbecue lunch and use

of the driving range.

Teefoff is at 1 p.m. sharp, and following a day on the course, golfers are treated to a plated steak dinner and awarded prizes and door prizes.

Cost to register is being maintained at last year's low price of \$150 per golf.

There are also oppor-

tunities for businesses to participate in various sponsorship opportunities, including sponsoring a golf hole, or donating a door prize to the event.

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The Niagara Parks Commission (NPC) is offering free guided hiking tours of the Niagara Glen, May 17, in part-

nership with the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada's (RASC) solar viewing exhibit.

Guided hiking tours depart from the Niagara Glen Nature Centre at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m., and will take visitors on a search of rare and unique spring blooms, birds and other wildlife found within the magnificent Niagara Glen. From week to week, the variety of blooming wildflowers is constantly changing, and spring ephemerals (flowers) such as Red and White Trilliums, Wild Columbian and Dutchman's Breeches only bloom for a short period of time each spring.

From 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., the RASC Niagara Centre's Solar Exhibit will also provide visitors with the opportunity to safely view the sun through "sunscopes". Knowledgeable astronomers will be on-site to answer questions and provide participants with a better understanding of the solar system.

All activities will start at the Niagara Glen Nature Centre. Guided hikes last approximately 1 to 1.5 hours and require proper footwear suitable for rugged terrain. Participants are reminded to stay on marked trails and follow "leave no trace" principles. The Niagara Glen Nature Centre is located at 3050 Niagara Parkway, across from the Whirlpool Golf Course.

About the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada, Niagara Centre
Since it was founded in 1890, the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada has fulfilled a special role in both amateur and professional astronomy. Today, it has almost 5,000 members who share a passion for the night sky and make contributions to astronomy in many ways. The Niagara Centre, which is one of 27 Centres of the RASC, has been bringing astronomy to the citizens of the Niagara Region since 1960.



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Catching fire, Erie Beach ruins

➤ All branches of the Fort Erie Public Library will be closed for Victoria Day, May 19



Amy Roebuck
Fort Erie Public Library

Many of the best movies are made from terrific books.

A case in point is the series of Hunger Games films starring Jennifer Lawrence, Josh Hutcherson and Liam Hemsworth, based on the young adult trilogy by Suzanne Collins.

This Saturday at the Centennial branch of the Fort Erie Public Library, watch Hunger Games: Catching Fire, the continuing adventures of Katniss Everdeen, which take place in a futuristic dystopian world. Catching Fire features Sam Claflin, Elizabeth Banks, the late Philip Seymour Hoffman, Woody Harrelson, Stanley Tucci and Donald Sutherland in supporting roles.

Other teen-friendly events include a teen book group this afternoon at 3:30 p.m. There are also knitting lessons offered at the Crystal Ridge branch this evening, and every Thursday evening through-out the month by the Bowen Road Women's Institute.

The Harry Potter Club, for Grades 5 and up, is meeting on Tuesday, May 20 at the Crystal Ridge branch and at the Centennial branch on Thursday, May 22.

Registration is open at Hogwarts and they want you! This month it features a Herbology class. Let's see who can pot up the best Mandrake. If you want to take some Harry Potter fun home with you, the books and movies are all available with your library card.

On Wednesday, May 21, the Lego Maker Club will meet at 4 p.m. at the

Stevensville branch.

On Wednesday evening, May 21, at the Crystal Ridge branch, local author and historian June Chipp will share her research about the Erie Beach Amusement Park, and the ruins that remain along the shoreline to remind us of that glorious time. Chipp is the author of A Self-guided History Tour of Greater Fort Erie, which is available in the library collection.

Copies of Chipp's book will also be offered for sale and signing at the Wednesday evening program.

The May 21 program, which begins at 7:30 p.m., is a partnership with the Bertie Historical Society. Please note the later start time.

To view scenes of Erie Beach Amusement Park in the library digital archives, click on Local History and Genealogy on the library's homepage, and type Erie Beach in the search bar.

Please note that all branches of the library will be closed on Monday, May 19 for the Victoria Day holiday.

You can download ebooks, music or magazines, do research online or browse the library collection by visiting the website www.fep.ca anytime.

Amy Roebuck is the community services coordinator at the Fort Erie Public Library.

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A gardener's journal – Fort Erie Garden Club plant sale kicks off spring

Ruth Vold Markle
A special to The Times

Looking out at the ice still floating freely on the Lake reminds me of living near Lake Huron.

Most May days there would be warm and then a sharp breeze would blow in from the ice still on the Lake.

It has been a challenge this year to think spring and even getting into the garden has been a time of muddy boots and mucky tools and yet today the warm sunshine reminded me that spring has finally come to our region.

This would be the week-end to think about purchasing vegetables and herbs and some annuals to keep cool but not exposed until we are sure the time of frost is past. Moving here 4 years ago

gave me an insight into Niagara growing patterns.

I saw a great many plants out and in soil prior to the 24 of May weekend, a sure sign of mild weather along these peninsula shores.

This year our nights are cooler and it might be wise to keep tender vegetables and annuals in a safer spot until close to the end of the month.

My wise neighbour always said you could plant in the spring after the full moon in May that takes place on May 14th this year so we might want to wait a week or so after that before we plant.

We can always find plenty of variety and colour in perennials lots of new colours in the summer flowering families and in our region many wonderful places to purchase.

I always think perennials are the most cost effective and if you will, give harmony to the green space, no matter the size you have and once established can provide years of enjoyment.

A great place to purchase perennials will be at the Fort Erie Garden Club Plant Sale on Saturday May 24. This event is held at our own Fort Erie Secondary School in and around the greenhouse. Sale begins at 8 am and will continue until noon.

Early birds seem to enjoy this sale and there is always someone on hand who will answer your questions and be glad to help out.

Looking forward to seeing you there and until next week, keep growing!



Do You Remember?

We received a great response to last week's photo from 3 callers. Even though two wish to remain anonymous, we thank them all. This photo was taken at Bertie Fire Station No. 1 and shows firefighters Bernie Steele on the left, and Bob Byrne on the

right awarding \$500 cheques to two people, one of whom may be Thora Johnson. The man remains unknown. Our thanks to Bob's wife, Mary who also narrowed down the year as somewhere between 1966-69.

This week's photo continues the firefighting theme. If you know any of the people in the photo or what the plaques represent, please call the Museum at 905-894-5322 or e-mail museum@forterie.ca

Time to talk about the Bald Eagle nest

Where are all the Canadian geese heading to?



Earl Plato

Brother Ed and I finally made it back to Iroquois National Refuge in Western New York.

Thanks to American cousin Dave Stein who gave us a tremendous tour of the extensive

wetlands. This time the main building was open. Alas, no displays yet. The two ranger women said that they

"will be tremendous" when re-established. When? Soon?

No closed circuit TV of the Eagle's nest. Why? The old tree had finally fallen nest and all. But Dave was informed a new nest is near the Cayuga Lookout.

We headed out down the gravel roads of the Refuge.

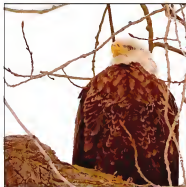
Turkey hens here and there. Brother Ed, asked again, "Where are all

the Canada's?" In previous years we had seen upwards of 10,000 Canada geese here with David's late father, Willy. Not this time. Too early for newly hatched we saw only a few hundred. Small groups of mallards here and there. Back and forth we went then David drove into Mallard Lookout. Binoculars in hand we saw in a tree a large nest. It was a Bald

Eagle's nest with a young one. To the right they spotted another eagle on the island.

We had a good lunch in an old eating place where cousin Willy visited frequently. Now David does the same. Son-in-law Chris had driven us over and now took us back. Thanks Chris. Thanks Dave for making two old guys happy.

Worth a visit. Find it on Google.



RON GOODRIDGE Special to The Times
A Port Colborne Bald Eagle.

opinion page

Facts you may, or may not know about the War of 1812

Brian Thomas
A Special to The Times

1. Two important reasons why the war started: the United States did not like the British Navy stopping and harassing their ships along the eastern seaboard (the U.S. frigate Chesapeake incident); the second being, the British who had many Western Tribe allies, prevented the Americans from expanding westward.

2. June 18th, 1812, the United States declared war on Great Britain. That evening, the British officers of Fort George, had invited the American officers of Fort Niagara for dinner. The cou-

rier arrived shortly after dinner with the dispatch. The impact of the news did not alter their after dinner tradition of sipping sherry; they toasted to the victor, and the British granted their new adversaries liberty to return to their fortress that night. The next morning they opened fire upon each other.

3. The British recruits were enlisted for seven years, the average fighting age being between 26-30 years. The Canadian soldiers average age was much younger. The British recruiting officers were dressed in the finest uniforms, down to shiny, detailed, well-made boots. These men were

looking for men between the ages of 16-35 years, and upon enlistment, the tenderfoot received a king's shilling was brought before a local doctor, describing him fit for service. (the criteria being that he could walk and breathe). The average height of an enlisted soldier was approximately 5'2".

4. A soldier's daily ration consisted of a one pound biscuit, ten ounces of pork, or one pound of salted beef, 1/2 pint of peas, one ounce of rice, and one ounce of salt. The best way to make this food appetizing was to boil it into a stew. This is really, one meal a day. During the war, most of the water supply was tainted,

including the streams. Thus, their canteens were usually filled with a very load grade beer, called "small beer". The British also supplied rum imported from the West Indies.

5. Approximately 35,000 British and Canadian men made up the regular troops defended our land against a force of c60,000 American enlisted men.

6. Approximately 2,000 British and Canadian soldiers lost their lives for the cause, and many of these were lost due to disease and amputation, while the loss to the south, numbered 60,000.

7. Daily life was such a struggle, and conditions were so bad, that desertion

became a way of survival. It seemed for some, that the grass looked greener on the other side of the river, and in this case, the ice paved a smooth path. During the winter of 1813, on a cold February night, a British officer, two enlisted men, and a young family from Bertie, (present day Fort Erie), walked across the frozen lake from Point Abino to Buffalo. Their only source of navigation was the shoreline, (which ended at the river), and two lanterns. They were taken in by the Americans for information, and soon the dissenters, realized their error, because the conditions in Buffalo were no better than on the Niagara frontier.



The average height of an enlisted soldier during the War of 1812 was five feet, two inches.

Check out the student exhibit showing at The Sanctuary

Nadine Foersterberg
A Special to The Times

I don't know if you are as excited as I am to see the sun and feel a bit warmer for the first time in what felt like a winter that would last forever. We have been quite busy this month. So let me just lead to rest of the month and tell you what we have in store for you.

We would like to draw attention to the student exhibit currently showing at The Sanctuary - Centre for the Arts. The work is an anthology of student sketches and artworks - a visual journey and exploration of themes from students of Hildesley Crystal Beach High School. The exhibit will be up until May 24.

Now I would like to let you about a cause that is near and dear to my heart. Knowing how willing this community is to help those in need, I'll give

you some background information. I am talking about the Stephen Lewis Foundation, an organization which is active in more than 100 countries on the African continent providing much needed help to those who are effected by the horrors of AIDS. A local group of Grandmothers called Mandifki has been part of the foundation's Grandmother to Grandmother Campaign. The Grandmothers to Grandmothers Campaign exists to support the African grandmothers who are caring for the millions of children orphaned by AIDS since 2006. Please check out their website for more information: www.stephenlewisfoundation.org/index.cfm.

On May 17, the lovely ladies from Mandifki are holding a fundraiser at The Sanctuary - Centre for the Arts. They were excited to present a Crystal Journey Concert by David

ex, musician and philanthropist. Suffering from a rare genetic disease called Larsen's Syndrome, Justin seems to have dedicated his life to music and helping others. He has worked with countless organizations raising funds for the good cause. In 2014, he was made a Member of the Order of Ontario recognising him for being a gifted singer and songwriter who has performed across the globe using his success to raise millions of dollars through the Justin Hines Foundation for dozens of charities throughout the world. And that is just one of many awards Justin has received in his career. It's sure to say it will be an unforgettable night. If you are still in need of tickets, please email Deb Malcolm at debm@mandifki.com.

The Calm Zone is so very excited to present a Crystal Journey Concert by David

Hickey at the Sanctuary Centre for the Arts on May 23, from 7 to 9pm. Tickets are available for only \$35.

David Hickey performs with Quartz Crystal Singing Bowls, each produces a pure note or tone - the purest there is. You have to hear them to believe it. He plays them in combination with 8-18 Paiste Gongs, Iranian, Indian Santors and Vibraphone. Every gong features a strong fundamental note tuned to represent a natural harmonic series based on the orbital properties of the Sun, the Earth, the Moon and the other planets.

If you have never seen this concert, you are in for a rare amazing experience! The Crystal Bowls and Gongs are sure to awaken your consciousness, raise your personal vibration, and are also healing!

For those of you who have seen it, I need say no more, as

I know you will be there!

You can bring a yoga mat, blanket, or sit on a chair - however you are comfortable. Please bring a non-perishable food item for COPE - our local food bank for more info call 905-871-4313 or email calmzone11@hotmail.com.

We are so excited to welcome our friend Andy Brown back to our stage on May 30. Doors open at 8, the show starts with the beautiful and talented Kaiti Gatta - a rising Niagara star in the Niagara music scene - at 9pm. A three-time International Songwriting Competition Finalist (2010, 2011, 2012), Folk/Singer-Songwriter Category, Andy Brown has emerged a must-see performer on the Canadian and International music scene. He has performed alongside some of Canada's top musicians such as The Trews, Matt Mays and Hawksley Workman.

To finish a very busy May, we have one more fun event up our sleeves. Our very own magician Edward Stone who mesmerized the audience and jury at "Canada's got talent" is performing on May 31. The door will be open at 8pm, Edward will get magical at 9pm.

Edward started his magic career at the tender age of 10. By 13, he was performing at private and corporate functions. In 2011, he introduced a bride and groom for one of Canada's richest wedding shows "Rich Bride, Poor Bride" - in a magical way of course. The length of his magic career really show cases his passion for this discipline in entertainment.

For more information on all events, classes and shows at The Sanctuary, please visit www.thesanctuary.org or follow us on Facebook and Twitter.



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School's history to be preserved in museum

When the students of Fort Erie Public School were moved to a new school, some of the history of that institution was moved to Fort Erie Historical Museum's archives.

In preparation for the closing events in 2013, the school approached the museum for copies of historic pictures. As a result of that partnership, the school gathered archival material and photographs from their files and donated them to

the museum's archives.

This donation included a series of photographs from 1965 of the building under construction. The picture shown here was taken from Central Ave. and in the background is the old Wilmot School. It was torn down once the new building was completed.

The museum also has a program from the 1976 Fort Erie Elementary School Fall Fair. Students competed with entries such as: 6 tea

biscuits, 1 pumpkin, 1 bird feeder, 1 braided mat, or categories such as penmanship, which included writing out the alphabet in capital letters. Ted Jewson donated this program to the Museum in 1991.

Industrial Arts teacher, Harry Barnhart, added his memories of teaching at FESS

from 1968-1992 to the archives; and arts teacher Ruby Smith helped to iden-

tify people in several school photos.

Contact Fort Erie Museum

Services at 894-5322 if you have historic photographs or archival material.



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Stevensville celebrates spring

Sarah Ferguson
Fort Erie Times

It took slightly longer than usual, but spring has finally arrived.

And to celebrate the sea-

son, the Stevensville Kinsmen and Kinettes, with Fort Erie Fire Department's Fire Station 5, will celebrate the warm weather during Springfest on Saturday, June 7.

The morning begins with

breakfast. Volunteer firefighters with serve up a hearty breakfast of pancakes and sausage at the fire hall on Stevensville Road from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.

The festivities will continue at Stevensville



FILE PHOTO Fort Erie Times

Ivan Antonucci, left, takes a shot at ring toss while John Arnott and Ludmila Antonucci cheer him on at Springfest in this file photo. The Stevensville Kinsmen and Kinettes are preparing for the annual event which will be held on June 7.

Memorial Hall from 10 a.m.

Proceeds from the event will be used for community initiatives and programs. In the past, funds from the event were used to help with the upkeep of Memory Park.

Kinnette Linda Housser, who organizes the event with fellow Kinnette Jane Brunning, said hundreds of people attend the event.

"It depends on the weather and it's hard to calculate exactly how many people come, but I would say in excess of 1,000 people."

There will be something for everyone with almost 50 vendors offering a variety of crafts, jewelry and tupperware.

Brunning said woodcarving is back again this year, and people can also expect to see the Point Abino Lighthouse Association, Canadian Niagara Power, an antique power display, fire truck display, an auto extraction demo and an antique car.

There's plenty for kids to do which includes face painting, a petting zoo, a

craft tent, mini train rides and a visit with special guests including Iron Man, Simba from the Lion King and film characters such as Simba from the Lion King and minions from Despicable Me.

"It will be a fun, special day," Housser said.

No one will leave Springfest hungry as there will be hot dogs, hamburgers, peameal bacon and other tasty treats to eat.

Housser encourages everyone who is interested in volunteering to contact the Kinsmen Club.

"We're trying to get more youth involved so if they need hours for community service, we would appreciate the help," she said.

Individuals interested in volunteering during Springfest can call 905-382-2032 for more information. Admission to the event is free, but tickets will be sold for a raffle for a prize draw.

First prize is Deluxe Black and Decker barbecue, second prize is a De Walt two-pack drill and impact driver, third prize is a Samsung Galaxy 3 Tablet.

Housser said the raffled is sponsored by Meridian Credit Union and prizes for the event were donated by local businesses.

Tickets are on sale now and are available at the Stevensville branch of Meridian Credit Union, 2763 Garrison Rd. in Stevensville. Tickets can also be purchased from Kinsmen and Kinettes members.

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Horwath begins campaign in the Falls

Ray Spitori
QMI Agency Niagara

NDP Leader Andrea Horwath kicked off her provincial election campaign with a stop in Niagara Falls last Wednesday.

Horwath was joined by Niagara Falls NDP MPP Wayne Gates near the Horseshoe Falls to meet with residents, visitors and the media.

Gates, a former city councillor, hopes to retain the seat he won just three months ago.

A spokesperson for Liberal Premier Kathleen Wynne and Progressive Conservative Leader Tim Hudak said it's too early to say when they may visit the riding.

Horwath, who visited the riding several times during the byelection, said she is confident about Gates' chances next month.

She said since Gates was elected, he has regularly brought riding issues in the legislature and has shown the same passion he exhibited during the byelection.

"In February's byelection, we offered people a real choice. You sent Wayne (Gates to Queen's Park to be a voice for the riding of Niagara Falls," said Horwath.

"The Hudak Conservatives threw everything they had at Wayne, but people weren't fooled. They knew it was just time for change that makes sense."

Gates said Horwath proved during the byelection that she cares about, and understands the issues in, the region.

"She was in Niagara Falls almost every day knocking on doors with me," he said. "I am so proud that you have come down on the first day (of the campaign). I know that you are a leader that understands that the province of Ontario does not stop at Burlington."

Bart Maves, who represented the Niagara Falls riding between 1995 and 2003, will once again represent the PC party as its riding candidate. Maves finished second, behind Gates, in the byelection.

The Liberals don't have a candidate yet. Niagara Falls city Coun. Joyce Morocco was the candidate during the byelection and placed third. She announced this week she will not be running again.

Clarke Bitter, who finished fourth in the byelection, will once again represent the Green Party.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING PROPOSED REGIONAL OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT (ROPA 5) Regional Official Plan Amendment: Source Water Protection

PROPOSED CHANGE

Regional Official Plan Amendment 5 (ROPA 5) proposes to add new policies and mapping related to protecting municipal drinking water in Niagara. An update to the Regional Official Plan is a key component in implementing the Source Protection Plan for the Niagara Peninsula Source Protection Area, which was approved by the Province in December 2013. ROPA 5 will add policies to the Regional Official Plan that protect municipal drinking water in areas identified around municipal surface water intakes called Intake Protection Zones. ROPA 5 will add a map to show municipal surface water Intake Protection Zones that exist in the City of Thorold, the City of Port Colborne and the City of Niagara Falls.

HAVE YOUR SAY

Public input on this proposed amendment is welcomed and encouraged. You can provide input by speaking at the public meeting or by making a written submission to the Region. If you do not express your views through these avenues, you may be forfeiting your right to appeal Council's decision to the Ontario Municipal Board.

PUBLIC MEETING

This public meeting is being held under the provisions of Section 17 of the *Planning Act* at the following time and place:

DATE: Wed., June 4, 2014
TIME: 1 p.m.
LOCATION: Niagara Region Headquarters –
Campbell West
Council Chambers
2201 St. David's Rd.
Thorold, ON

WRITTEN SUBMISSION

To provide input in writing or to request personal notice if the proposed change is adopted, please send a letter c/o Regional Clerk, Niagara Region, 2201 St. David's Rd., P.O. Box 1042, Thorold, ON L2V 4T7, or email cathie.best@niagararegion.ca.

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about the proposed Amendment please contact Kailen Goerz, Planner by phone at 905-685-1571, ext. 3179 or email kailen.goerz@niagararegion.ca.

A copy of the proposed Amendment and information and materials related to the Amendment are available for inspection in the Planning and Development Services Department at the above address Monday to Friday between 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. and at www.niagararegion.ca.

If you require any accommodations for a disability in order to attend and participate in meetings or events, please let us know in advance so that arrangements can be made in a timely manner. Special accessibility accommodations and materials in alternate formats can be arranged by contacting the Niagara Region's Accessibility Advisory Coordinator at 905-685-4225 ext. 3252 or accessibility@niagararegion.ca.

LEGAL NOTICE Section 17 of the Planning Act

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Regional Municipality of Niagara before the proposed official plan amendment is adopted, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Council of the Regional Municipality of Niagara to the Ontario Municipal Board.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Regional Municipality of Niagara before the proposed official plan amendment is adopted, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

If you wish to be notified of the adoption of the proposed Official Policy Plan Amendment, you must make a written request to the Regional Clerk and such request must include the name and address to which such notice should be sent.

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Faces of poverty

Cheryl Clock
QMI Agency Niagara

A single mother whose husband has died. A man who lost his job when the plant closed. A family with an ill child.

All deserving of social assistance?

How about a man who never finished high school, hardly worked and smokes.

As deserving?

"We judge," says Elaine Pibech, executive director of Project SHARE in the Falls. "It's OK to help someone and not someone else."

Case in point: people who come to the food bank with donations, and refuse to give after seeing clients smoking outside of the building.

"They say, 'I'm sorry, I was going to give but I was going to spend their money on cigarettes,' not 'donate,'" she says.

"It's the deserving and undeserving."

We judge. We assume. We believe the myths of poverty.

Consider this statement: people living in poverty shouldn't be having babies.

Reasonable? We might rationalize: if they don't have enough money to support themselves, they shouldn't have children.

Now consider this: what if you replaced "people living in poverty" with another marginalized group, suggests Sarah Pennisi, director of social assistance and employment opportunities for Niagara Region.

Let's say African Americans. New immigrants. Or people with disabilities.

Then what?

Suddenly, we scream injustice, she says.

But somehow it's OK to make moral judgments

against the poor?

"It is so insidious it's not even recognized as a discrimination," says Pennisi.

"We take it for granted that we can make assumptions about people who are poor."

"They're not allowed the basic of all dignities."

"Poverty seems to be the one type of discrimination that we have some level of tolerance."

We separate. We draw lines. It's Us and Them.

They have alcohol and drug problems. They are lazy and make poor choices. They squander their money. They are uneducated, and poor because they don't want to work.

In fact, none of the above is true.

In fact, They are Us.

Adds Pennisi: "We could be them any day."

So, let's take a look at some of the beliefs we have about people who live in poverty. And then read what the experts say about what



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On April 22nd, Jay McGuire, owner of Sub King in Crystal Beach along with his staff and the Grade 8 students from Crystal Beach Public School gathered at the popular sub shop to celebrate their hard work over the past few months. They have all been working to raise money for Joshua Laviolette, a 13 year old boy who has Muscular Dystrophy and recently underwent surgery where rods were inserted to assist with sitting up straight. As a result, Joshua has grown three inches and also requires a wheelchair accessible van. Sub King donated \$1 from every sub sold to Joshua and raised \$670. The students raised \$500 to assist with the costs associated with purchasing the new vehicle.

Sub King, along with the students also fundraised for their end of school year trip to Camp Wahanowin. The students raised \$500 for the trip and Sub King donated \$370.

FILE PHOTO Fort Erie Times
Poverty can strike anyone, working class, retired, young and old. Over the next year QMI Agency Niagara will be spotlighting the faces of poverty in our own communities.

we thought to be true ...

Poverty is caused by poor choices; people only have themselves to blame.

Sarah Pennisi: The No. 1 reason people are poor? They can't find a job. And it's not because they're not trying. It's because they experience discrimination and other barriers to employment.

People who are more likely to live in poverty are: Disabled, women, First Nations, newcomers to Canada, mentally ill and seniors. Each group faces specific barriers to finding work at a living wage.

Betty-Lou Souter: "I don't judge anybody," she says. "We don't understand the circumstances that got them to where they are today."

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YOUR HEALTH



President's own story: 15 years ago I started to have arthritis, prostate, kidney, stoning and sleep apnea problems, which all helped quickly with natural health products. I made it my life's purpose to help others. **Nick A. Jerch**

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■ **RED NOSE CREAMS ROSACEA** gone in less than a week. Was lighting it for 30 years with topical creams and prescriptions without getting satisfaction. I live a healthy life, don't smoke and don't drink. People thought I reddish face comes from drinking. This is a myth. Will take it for the rest of my life when needed. **Donald G. Gillespie, 66, Inverell, ON**

■ **PSORIASIS** ■ I had severe psoriasis over 95% of my body. Last 5 years I have shaved every doctor and dermatologist. I spent tons of money on remedies. After 10 years of skin disorders, I've never seen anything work as fast in my life. Within 2 days I saw my skin clearing up. The speechless. It was inexpensive compared with what I spent before. **Jessica Sharitz, 25, Dawson Creek, BC**

■ **ECZEMA** For 6 years my family doctor and dermatologist tried many medications and creams. After taking Bell Help for Skin Disorders for just a few days my eczema itching stopped and my face started to clear up. After suffering so long I am amazed with the results. **Andy Nuen, 58, Vancouver, BC**



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■ **Had to get up every hour at night.** Now I get up once a night. **Joseph Whitaker, Sewell, NJ** ■ **I cancelled my prostate surgery.** Get up once a night. I'm so happy now to have to see the torment of a prostate operation and possible incontinence and impotence. **Albert E. Blair, 74, Schumacher, ON** ■ **Even after TURP prostate surgery** and microwave therapy had to get up many times. Now down to 1-2 times. Tea is 100% better than drugs. **Robert G. Stokker, Eustassis, FL** ■ **After 1st year drinking tea** my PSA went down to 4.5; after 2nd year to 2.9; after 3rd year to 2.3. I highly recommend the tea. A real life saver. **Thomas M. Thurston, Forsyth, GA** ■ **Women suffering with incontinence, bladder infections, UTIs** ask for Bladder Control Tea for Women #4b. Guaranteed relief within days.



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By Dr. Chakib Hammond, M.D., PhD.
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coped zombie anymore. **Lorayne Madsen, 44, Davis, AR** ■ **For 30 years my life was miserable** with sneezing, watery eyes and sinus pressure year-round on most days. I was smacked On 3rd day all allergies were gone. It was like magic. **Becky Dorber, 25, Dover, OH** ■ **Gotting without allergy attacks** I tried all the medications and more worked. After taking 1 capsule in the morning I'm completely free of all symptoms. **Richard Garner, 74, San Antonio, TX** morning. **Theresa Noto, 58, New York, NY**

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■ **Bell Middle-Age Energy Booster changed our lives.** All I can say is am very satisfied and so is my lovely wife. I am so happy to have my youthful energy back. We married 30 years. **Randy Martin, 52, Woodstock, ON** ■ **I should have started using Bell Middle-Age Energy Booster years ago,** when I noticed things were starting to slack off. The results were much better than I ever hoped for David Buckley, 42, Peterborough, ON ■ **Being in my forties I felt a loss of energy and zest for life.** I have tried every product on the market. This Bell Middle-Age Energy Booster is the best preparation for aging people. **A. J. Carisse, 44, Fredericton, NB**

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AND TAKE NOTICE that any person or public body may appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board in respect of the by-law by filing with the Clerk of the Town of Fort Erie not later than the 4th day of June, 2014 a notice of the appeal setting out the reasons for the appeal and the specific part of the proposed official plan amendment to which the appeal applies. Any appeal must be accompanied by the Board's fee of \$125.00. A certified cheque or money order made payable to the Minister of Finance must accompany the Notice of Appeal.

The proposed Official Plan Amendment #23 is exempt from approval by the Regional Municipality of Niagara and the decision of Council is final if a notice of appeal is not received before or on the last day for filing a Notice of Appeal.

No person or public body shall be added as a party to the hearing of the appeal unless, before the plan was adopted, the person or public body made oral submissions at a public meeting or written submissions to the council or, in the opinion of the Ontario Municipal Board, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

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PURPOSE AND EFFECT

The purpose and effect of Amendment No. 23 is to change the land use designation of the lands shown on the location above from "Institutional" to "Urban Residential" to permit the use of the site for Urban Residential purposes.

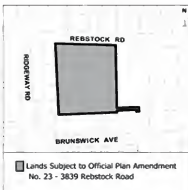
INFORMATION WITH RESPECT TO THE AMENDMENT

Information pertaining to the proposed Official Plan Amendment application and the adopted Official Plan Amendment #23 is available at the Clerk's Office and the Community and Development Services Department during regular office hours, and can also be found on the Town of Fort Erie Website: www.forterie.on.ca.

OTHER APPLICATIONS

An application for Zoning By-law Amendment, File No. 350309-0377, was approved by the Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie on May 12th, 2014.

**DATED AT THE TOWN OF FORT ERIE THIS 15th day of May, 2014.
CAROLYN KETT, TOWN CLERK**



TOWN OF FORT ERIE NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT APPLICATION

**PURPOSE: ZONING BY-LAW 129-90 HOUSEKEEPING AMENDMENT -
MEDICAL MARIHUANA GROW AND PRODUCTION FACILITIES**

APPLICANT: TOWN OF FORT ERIE

DATE: MONDAY, JUNE 9, 2014

APPLICATION #: 350309-0374

**LOCATION: COUNCIL CHAMBERS, TOWN HALL
1 MUNICIPAL CENTRE DRIVE, FORT ERIE**

TIME: 6:00 P.M.

A location map is not provided with this notice, as the proposed amendments apply to all lands within the corporation limits of the Town of Fort Erie.

PURPOSE: To hold a new public meeting as directed by Town Council to determine whether to pass a by-law to amend Comprehensive Zoning By-law 129-90. Following the public meeting, Council will determine if any changes to the existing Industrial IN Zone and Prestige Industrial PI Zone is warranted.

HAVE YOUR SAY

Input on the approved Zoning By-law is welcome and encouraged. You can provide input by speaking at the public meeting or by making a written submission to the Town.

WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS

To provide input in writing Zoning By-law Amendment, please send a letter c/o the Town Clerk Carolyn Kett, 1 Municipal Centre Drive, Fort Erie, Ontario, L2A 2S6 or an email to ckett@town.forterie.on.ca.

MORE INFORMATION

For further information please contact Kira Dolch Manager of Development Approvals at (905) 871-1600 extension 2502 or kdolch@town.forterie.on.ca. A copy of the Information Report will be available to the public by 5:00 PM on June 4th, 2014. The information report will be available in the Council agenda portion of the Town's Web Site: www.town.forterie.on.ca or from the Community and Development Services Department.

PLANNING ACT LEGAL NOTICE REQUIREMENTS

After considering any written comments before the public meeting and the comments from the public meeting itself, Council will determine whether or not a revision to the existing zoning by-law is warranted.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of Fort Erie before an amended Zoning By-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Town of Fort Erie Council to the Ontario Municipal Board.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at the public meeting, or make written submissions to the Town of Fort Erie before the amended Zoning By-law is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

If you do not attend the public meeting but wish to be notified of the adoption of the amended Zoning By-law amendment, you are required to make a written request to Carolyn Kett, Town Clerk and such request should include the name and address to which such notice should be sent.

DATED THIS 15th day of May, 2014

CAROLYN KETT, TOWN CLERK

RICHARD F. BRADY, MA, MCP, RPP, DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

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TOWN OF FORT ERIE NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF DOWNTOWN BRIDGEBOURGE CORE AREA COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN Planning Act, 1990, c. P 13, Sections 28

APPLICANT- TOWN OF FORT ERIE FILE NO. 350202.003

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Town of Fort Erie passed By-law Number 71-2014 being a by-law to adopt the Downtown Bridgebouge Core Area Community Improvement Plan (CIP) for the Town of Fort Erie on the 12th day of May, 2014 under Section 28 of the Planning Act.

AND TAKE NOTICE that any person or agency may appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board in respect of the by-law by filing with the Clerk of the Town of Fort Erie not later than 6:00 p.m., on Wednesday, June 4, 2014, a notice of the appeal setting out the objection to the by-law and the reasons in support of the objection. Any appeal must be accompanied by the Board's fee of \$125.00. A certified cheque or money order in this amount made payable to the Minister of Finance must accompany the Notice of Appeal.

Any Notice of Appeal should be delivered to:

Carolyn Kett, Town Clerk
Town of Fort Erie
1 Municipal Centre Drive,
Town of Fort Erie, Ontario
L2A 2S6

The proposed Downtown Bridgebouge Core Area CIP is exempt from the approval of the Regional Municipality of Niagara and the decision of Council on the proposed Downtown Bridgebouge Core Area CIP is final, if a notice of appeal is not received on or before the last day for filing a Notice of Appeal.

Only individuals, corporations and public bodies may appeal the by-law to the Ontario Municipal Board. A Notice of Appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a Notice of Appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of the association or group. An explanation of the Purpose and Effect of the By-law, describing the lands to which the By-law applies may be found below. The complete By-law is available for inspection in the Clerk's office during regular office hours.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT

The purpose and effect of proposed Downtown Bridgebouge Core Area (CIP) is to implement a series of financial incentive programs aimed at stimulating private sector investment in enhancing the quality, presentation and maintenance of the commercial building stock in the core area. It also encourages property owners to consider opportunities to increase residential dwellings on upper levels of commercial uses where this can be accommodated. The programs are designed as grant matching incentives, subject to minimum and maximum amounts, for the mixed use core area of Downtown Bridgebouge. The incentive programs include:

- Commercial Facade Improvement Grant Program
- Commercial Facade Signage Grant Program
- Residential Creation and Intensification Grant Program

The programs will be made available to qualifying property and/or business owners that meet with select criteria. Criteria and eligible funding amounts will be determined through an application process. All CIP financial incentives are subject to available funding.

INFORMATION WITH RESPECT TO THE CIP

Information pertaining to the proposed Downtown Bridgebouge Core Area Community Improvement Plan is available at the Community and Development Services Department, Town of Fort Erie, 1 Municipal Centre Drive and at the following website:

www.town.forterie.ca/pages/CommunityImprovementPlans

OTHER APPLICATIONS

Council also adopted By-law 70-2014 on May 12th, 2014 designating the lands shown on the map herein, as the Downtown Bridgebouge Core Area Community Improvement Plan Area for the purposes of implementing the Downtown Bridgebouge Core Area CIP. By-law 70-2014 also repeals By-law 200-85, being a by-law that designated a former project area for a similar purpose.

DATED AT THE TOWN OF FORT ERIE THIS 15th day of May, 2014.

GAROLYN KETT, TOWN CLERK



TOWN OF FORT ERIE NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF DOWNTOWN RIDGEWAY CORE AREA COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN Planning Act, 1990, c. P 13, Sections 28

APPLICANT- TOWN OF FORT ERIE FILE NO. 350202.004

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Town of Fort Erie passed By-law Number 73-2014 being a by-law to adopt the Downtown Ridgeway Core Area Community Improvement Plan (CIP) for the Town of Fort Erie on the 12th day of May, 2014 under Section 28 of the Planning Act.

AND TAKE NOTICE that any person or agency may appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board in respect of the by-law by filing with the Clerk of the Town of Fort Erie not later than 6:00 p.m., on Wednesday, June 4, 2014, a notice of the appeal setting out the objection to the by-law and the reasons in support of the objection. Any appeal must be accompanied by the Board's fee of \$125.00. A certified cheque or money order in this amount made payable to the Minister of Finance must accompany the Notice of Appeal.

Any Notice of Appeal should be delivered to:

Carolyn Kett, Town Clerk
Town of Fort Erie
1 Municipal Centre Drive,
Town of Fort Erie, Ontario
L2A 2S6

The proposed Downtown Ridgeway Core Area CIP is exempt from the approval of the Regional Municipality of Niagara and the decision of Council on the proposed Downtown Ridgeway Core Area CIP is final, if a notice of appeal is not received on or before the last day for filing a Notice of Appeal.

Only individuals, corporations and public bodies may appeal the by-law to the Ontario Municipal Board. A Notice of Appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a Notice of Appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of the association or group. An explanation of the Purpose and Effect of the By-law, describing the lands to which the By-law applies may be found below. The complete By-law is available for inspection in the Clerk's office during regular office hours.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT

The purpose and effect of proposed Downtown Ridgeway Core Area (CIP) is to implement a series of financial incentive programs aimed at stimulating private sector investment in enhancing the quality, presentation and maintenance of the commercial building stock in the core area. It also encourages property owners to consider opportunities to increase residential dwellings on upper levels of commercial uses where this can be accommodated. The programs are designed as grant matching incentives, subject to minimum and maximum amounts, for the mixed use core area of Downtown Ridgeway. The incentive programs include:

- Commercial Facade Improvement Grant Program
- Commercial Facade Signage Grant Program
- Residential Creation and Intensification Grant Program

The programs will be made available to qualifying property and/or business owners that meet with select criteria. Criteria and eligible funding amounts will be determined through an application process. All CIP financial incentives are subject to available funding.

INFORMATION WITH RESPECT TO THE CIP

Information pertaining to the proposed Downtown Ridgeway Core Area Community Improvement Plan is available at the Community and Development Services Department, Town of Fort Erie, 1 Municipal Centre Drive and at the following website:

www.town.forterie.ca/pages/CommunityImprovementPlans

OTHER APPLICATIONS

Council also adopted By-law 72-2014 on May 12th, 2014 designating the lands shown on the map herein, as the Downtown Ridgeway Core Area Community Improvement Plan Area for the sole purpose of implementing the Downtown Ridgeway Core Area CIP.

DATED AT THE TOWN OF FORT ERIE THIS 15th day of May, 2014.

GAROLYN KETT, TOWN CLERK



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

REVISED PLAN OF SUBDIVISION AND ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT
APPLICANT/OWNER: UPPER CANADA CONSULTANTS ON BEHALF OF ASHTON
HOMES (WESTERN) LTD. (ALDO VERCILLO)

Applications: 350308-0059 & 350309-0348

DATE: JUNE 9, 2014
TIME: 6:00 PM

LOCATION: TOWN HALL, COUNCIL
CHAMBERS

LOCATION OF SUBJECT LANDS

PROPOSED CHANGE

An application for a Revision to a Draft Plan of Subdivision and an application for a Zoning By-law Amendment have been received for part of the Stormwater Management Block which is zoned Open Space OS-478 Zone permitting its use for stormwater management facility.

The applicant determined through the detailed design process that less space was required to accommodate the stormwater management pond than had been allocated in Block 39 between Blocks 31 and 32 on the revised plan. The applicant has indicated they would like to develop the surplus lands within the stormwater management block as 2 single detached dwelling lots. The applicant has submitted applications to amend the Draft Plan of Subdivision and to change to Zoning of the subject property to Residential 2 A RZA Zone to permit the development of a portion of the stormwater management block for residential purposes.



HAVE YOUR SAY

Input on the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment and Draft Plan of Subdivision is welcome and encouraged. You can provide input by speaking at the Public Meeting or by making a written submission to the Town. Please note that unless you do one of the above now, you may not be able to appeal the decision later.

MORE INFORMATION

For further information please contact Matt Kemahan, Senior Development Planner at (905) 871-1600 extension 2507 or mikemahan@town.forterie.on.ca. A copy of the Information Report will be available to the public by 5:00 PM on June 4th, 2014. The information report will be available in the Council agenda portion of the Town's Web Site: www.town.forterie.on.ca or from the Community and Development Services Department.

WRITTEN SUBMISSION

To provide input in writing, or to request written notice of the decision of the Zoning By-law Amendment, please send a letter to the Town Clerk Carolyn Kett, 1 Municipal Centre Drive, Fort Erie, Ontario, L2A 2S6 or an email to ckett@town.forterie.on.ca

PLANNING ACT LEGAL NOTICE REQUIREMENTS

The Town of Fort Erie has not yet made a decision regarding these applications.

After considering any written comments and the comments from the public meeting, a Recommendation Report will be prepared for a future Council-In-Committee meeting.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of Fort Erie in respect of the proposed Zoning By-law amendment and revised Plan of Subdivision before the amendments are passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Town of Fort Erie to the Ontario Municipal Board.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of Fort Erie in respect of the proposed Zoning By-law amendment and revised Plan of Subdivision before the amendments are passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board, unless in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

If you wish to be notified of the adoption of the Zoning By-law Amendment and revised Draft Plan of Subdivision, you must make a written request to the Carolyn Kett, Town Clerk and such request should include the name and address to which such notice should be sent.

Dated this 15th day of May, 2014

Carolyn Kett, Town Clerk Richard F. Brady, MA, MCRP, RPP, Director of Community and Development Services

NOTICE OF COMPLETE APPLICATION AND PUBLIC MEETING ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT

1711 DOMINION ROAD

OWNER: PETER PIEKARSKI

Application: 350309-0380

DATE: JUNE 9, 2014
TIME: 6:00 PM

LOCATION: TOWN HALL, COUNCIL
CHAMBERS

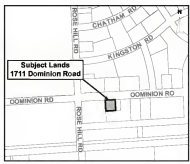
LOCATION OF SUBJECT LANDS

PROPOSED CHANGE

A Zoning By-law Amendment application has been received for the property located on the south side of Dominion Road, east of Rosehill Road with the municipal address 1711 Dominion Road. The subject property is zoned Rural Commercial C7 Zone. The Rural Commercial C7 Zone permits a variety of commercial uses and single detached dwellings, but single detached dwellings are only permitted as an accessory use to an existing commercial use.

The applicant wishes to renovate the existing building on the subject property and convert it to a single detached dwelling. Because a commercial use is not currently located on the property, the use of the building as a single detached dwelling is not permitted by the Zoning. The applicant has applied to have the Zoning on the property changed to permit a single detached dwelling only, with no commercial use present.

The proposed zoning of the property will be a site specific Rural Commercial C7 Zone. The Zoning will permit all uses permitted in the Rural Commercial C7 Zone and a single detached dwelling that is not accessory to a commercial use.



HAVE YOUR SAY

Input on the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment is welcome and encouraged. You can provide input by speaking at the Public Meeting or by making a written submission to the Town. Please note that unless you do one of the above now, you may not be able to appeal the decision later.

MORE INFORMATION

For further information please contact Matt Kemahan, Senior Development Planner at (905) 871-1600 extension 2507 or mikemahan@town.forterie.on.ca. A copy of the Information Report will be available to the public by 5:00 PM on June 4th, 2014. The information report will be available in the Council agenda portion of the Town's Web Site: www.town.forterie.on.ca or from the Community and Development Services Department.

WRITTEN SUBMISSION

To provide input in writing, or to request written notice of the decision of the Zoning By-law Amendment, please send a letter to the Town Clerk Carolyn Kett, 1 Municipal Centre Drive, Fort Erie, Ontario, L2A 2S6 or an email to ckett@town.forterie.on.ca

PLANNING ACT LEGAL NOTICE REQUIREMENTS

The Town of Fort Erie has not yet made a decision regarding this application.

After considering any written comments and the comments from the public meeting, Council-In-Committee at this meeting will consider a recommendation report on the Zoning By-law Amendment application.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of Fort Erie in respect of the proposed Zoning By-law amendment before the By-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Town of Fort Erie to the Ontario Municipal Board.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of Fort Erie in respect of the proposed Zoning By-law amendment before the By-law is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board, unless in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

If you wish to be notified of the adoption of the Zoning By-law Amendment, you must make a written request to the Carolyn Kett, Town Clerk and such request should include the name and address to which such notice should be sent.

Dated this 15th day of May, 2014

Carolyn Kett, Town Clerk Richard F. Brady, MA, MCRP, RPP, Director of Community and Development Services

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2014 MUNICIPAL ELECTION A NEW MPAC ENUMERATION INITIATIVE

Voterlookup.ca replaces the traditional Municipal Enumeration Form mail-in system administered by the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC).

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Confirming and updating this information will help to ensure the Voters' List is accurate and up-to-date in preparation for municipal and school board elections occurring October 27th, 2014.

Find out ahead of time if you are an eligible elector and if your information is correct. Visit voterlookup.ca or call MPAC at 1-866-296-6722.



NOTICE OF PASSING OF A ZONING BY-LAW

Planning Act, 1990, c. P 13, ss.34(18), O.Reg. 545/06

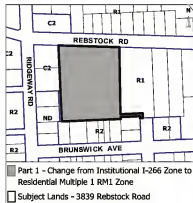
APPLICANT: UPPER CANADA CONSULTANTS

OWNER: PARKLANE HOMES (ED LENCHYSHYN)

FILE # 350309-0377

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Town of Fort Erie passed By-law No 69-2014 on the 12th day of May, 2014 under section 34 of The Planning Act, 1990.

AND TAKE NOTICE that any person or agency may appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board in respect of the by-law by filing with the Clerk of the Town of Fort Erie not later than the 4th day of June, 2014, a notice of the appeal setting out the objection to the by-law and the reasons in support of the objection. Any appeal must be accompanied by the Board's fee of \$125.00. A certified cheque or money order in this amount made payable to the Minister of Finance must accompany the Notice of Appeal.



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An explanation of the Purpose and Effect of the By-law, describing the lands to which the By-law applies may be found below and a key map showing the location of the lands to which the By-law applies is shown above. The complete By-law is available for inspection in the Clerk's office during regular office hours and can also be found on the Town of Fort Erie Website: www.forterie.on.ca.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT

The purpose and effect of By-law No. 69-2014 is to amend Town of Fort Erie Comprehensive Zoning By-law 129-90 by changing the zoning of lands indicated as Part 1 on the location map shown above from "Institutional (I-266) Zone" to "Residential Multiple 1(RM1) Zone".

OTHER APPLICATIONS

An application for Official Plan Amendment, File No. 350302-0067, was approved by the Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie on May 12th, 2014.

DATED AT THE TOWN OF FORT ERIE THIS 15TH DAY OF MAY, 2014
CAROLYN KETT, TOWN CLERK

45% of unemployed have post-secondary education

From Page 12

Darlene Cuffietelli Parker: More and more jobs are part time, seasonal, and contract, all with no insurance coverage. People experience life-changing events like illness,

death of a spouse and job loss. "Yet people still carry a stereotype."

People who live in poverty are uneducated.

Consider this from the Niagara Poverty Reduction Network: While a higher

level of education does decrease the risk of poverty, 45 per cent of the unemployed in Canada have a post-secondary education.

Sarah Pennist: In fact, there are people with one or two degrees who are unable

to find work. Maybe they can't find a good-paying job in their field, they don't have enough experience, or they face other barriers.

People won't work. Sarah Pennist: Studies show that fraud in welfare is about 3%. In comparison, tax fraud is between 20-30%. The system has built in, vigorous verification that continues after a person's application for assistance is accepted. Most welfare fraud complaints are investigated, and most turn out to be unsubstantiated. Ontario Works recipients meet face-to-face with a caseworker every three months, and they must show proof of financial need as well as have a plan to find work.

People on assistance squander their money

Elaine Pihach: "I hear people say they're squandering all their money on bingo, gambling and fast food," she says. "But they don't have the money to pay for their needs, let alone their wants."

People want to be on assistance

Betty-Lou Souter: "People want to be independent and self-sufficient," she says. "They want to have pride."

"Does anybody want to worry from day to day if they're able to feed themselves?"

Elaine Pihach: "If you didn't have to, why would you sit in a waiting room for

an hour to get food?"

It's easy to live on assistance; they are well off

Sarah Pennist: A single person on Ontario Works receives \$606 monthly to cover shelter, food and living costs. That's \$7,512 annually (\$8,413 with other benefits and tax credits).

They would need to make double that amount, just to reach the poverty line.

The poverty line for a single person is an after-tax income of \$19,460.

A couple with two children on Ontario Works makes \$13,920 annually (\$28,167 with tax credits and benefits). The poverty line is \$38,920 for a family of four.

A food bank diet is healthy and it's all people need.

Betty-Lou Souter: People need a balanced diet, and they won't get it from a food bank. Missing at a food bank is protein. It's rare to have meat, and they have eggs to offer people once a month.

People use the food bank every day

Betty-Lou Souter: People can go to the food bank every other month (or six times a year), or more frequently in emergency situations only. They have a limited number of points to apply to food items on each visit. That amount of food would last them about a week.

"It's to supplement what they have," she says. "It's to

make food dollars stretch," she says.

Elaine Pihach: At Project SHARE, clients visit the food bank once a month and get enough food for 3-4 days. Every week, they can return to pick up some bread, fruits and vegetables if available. "It's emergency food, to get them through to the next paycheck."

People on assistance don't have a right to luxuries. Think cigarettes, alcohol, pets, cell phone, and internet.

Catherine Livingston: "I'm not making an excuse," she says. "But we need to understand it from a different lens."

In our society, we have a problem with maintaining the status quo and getting into debt. "How is that any different than being on social assistance and trying to maintain the status quo?"

When you try to fit into a society that is so materialistic. Where we need instant gratification and you don't have the best coping skills?

"It's what you've learned."

"Is it right? No."

"It's a product of wanting to be like everyone else," she says.

Luxuries might be necessities to some people. Pets could be a cure for loneliness.

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LYME DISEASE: WHAT MAKES IT TICK?

As temperatures begin to finally rise across southern Ontario several weeks of gloomy weather, many Niagara residents are eager to bring out their summer wardrobe.

However, it doesn't take long before we quickly remember that along with the summer heat comes the return of mosquitoes, spiders, and ticks. In Ontario, most residents are well informed about the illnesses mosquitoes can spread and ways of protecting yourself. But how informed are we about ticks?

There are many different species of ticks; however, the one that is of concern is the black legged tick, also known as the deer tick. This sesame seed sized tick can be the host to the bacteria that cause Lyme disease, which, if untreated, can result in arthritis, heart problems, and various nervous system problems. The American brown dog tick is approximately half a centimeter and has not been shown to carry Lyme disease.

The Niagara region has a high concentration of ticks, especially in the areas surrounding Lake Erie. The Niagara Health Department recommends wearing pants and long sleeved shirts when walking in wooded areas to minimize the chances of a tick bite.

If you notice a tick has attached to your skin, it should be removed immediately by grabbing the head with a pair of tweezers and pulling straight up. Do not try to burn the tick off of the skin using a match or lighter. The area should then be washed with soap and water. If you are unable to remove the entire tick, you should give your doctor a call and they can remove it for you. The tick can be brought to the health department for analysis to see if it was infected with the bacteria that causes Lyme disease.

Ticks often pick up the bacteria that cause Lyme disease while feeding on infected rodents. However, it should be noted that most ticks are not carriers.

The majority of people who are bitten by ticks do not develop Lyme disease, however if you notice a red bullseye rash on the skin, develop a fever, headache or muscle and joint pains, you should seek medical attention. The symptoms typically develop within 1 to 2 weeks of a bite. Lyme disease can often be cured with antibiotics if treatment is started early.

For more information about Lyme disease or information about ticks and where to drop them off, you can call 1-888-505-6074.

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Sarah Ferguson
Fort Erie Times

Having won a gold medal at the 2014 Canadian National Championship, Christian Pereira is quickly making a name for herself in the kickboxing world.

Pereira competed in the Canadian National Championship which was held in Burlington from April 25 to 27.

She also competed in the Ontario Winter Games, which was held in February in Muskoka. At the Games, Pereira took a bronze medal.

"I lost in the semi-finals. I hit with the wrong part of the glove. Even though I beat the silver medalist, I finished with a bronze," Pereira said about her performance at the Winter Games.

"The Winter Games was a learning experience for me."

The 13 year-old Bertie Public School student stepped up her training from six days a week to seven days, and has added swimming to her regimen to improve her endurance and lung capacity.

She has also attended several training camps to improve her performance.



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Christian Pereira won a gold medal at the Canadian National Championship in kickboxing. The 13 year-old Bertie Public School student has set her sights on the World Championships in September.

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Pereira trains out of Modern Vision Mixed Martial Arts in Welland and Irwin Boxing in Niagara Falls.

The youth is worker harder than ever for the chance to compete at the World Championships, which will be held in Italy in September.

"I am definitely training for that (the World Championships)."

Whether it's a local competition, or a large one with competitors from all over the world, Pereira said she is dedicated to her training.

Fort Erie's athletes and coaches to be honoured

Sarah Ferguson
Fort Erie Times

This year's list of inductees in the Fort Erie Sports Wall of Fame includes an accomplished Lacrosse player, a figure skater, a hockey player and businessman, and 24 football coaches.

The Fort Erie Kinsmen will honour Travis Hill, an amateur professional lacrosse player, Bill Neal, an amateur Olympian and professional skater, Doug Reid, an amateur

and professional hockey player, and Fort Erie Secondary School and Ridgeway-Crystal Beach High School alumni of football coaches.

Kinsmen Club president Larry Graber said he is looking forward to this year's induction ceremony which will be held Friday, June 20 at the Fort Erie Leisureplex Banquet Room at 6 p.m.

Graber said the Kinsmen has organized the event when the organization took over the event in 2006.

He said the Kinsmen Club took the ceremony over because "it didn't get the attention it needed" to flourish.

"The Kinsmen took it on as a project to revitalize it and relocate it," Graber said.

In 2007, the organization moved the location of the wall from a seldom-noticed spot in the Leisureplex to a wall inside the main Kinsmen Arena.

"It's the 10th anniversary of the ceremony this year and I think we have

helped to develop a nice history highlighting individual contributions to sports in the community," Graber said.

The ceremony will feature sports memorabilia, and prizes.

Tickets to the ceremony are \$50 per person and can be purchased by calling Michael George Law Office at 905 871 8705 or email: mgeorge@bellnet.ca

In the weeks leading up to the event, the Fort Erie Times will feature of this year's inductees.

Who: The Fort Erie Kinsmen

What: Host the Fort Erie Sports Wall of Fame

When: Friday, June 20 at 6 p.m.

Where: Fort Erie Leisureplex Banquet Room, 3 Municipal Centre Dr, Fort Erie.

Why: To highlight individuals who have made a contribution to sports history in the community.

For more information visit online at www.the-forteriekinsmen.org.

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Kickboxer learns to never underestimate opponents

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"I train very hard for all of my competitions. Because of the time difference in Italy, I've heard some athletes wake up

and go for a run at 3 a.m. so they get used to it when they compete in different countries," Pereira said.

"If that's what it takes to get to the World Championships, that is

what I will do."

Pereira has only been in the ring for a year and a half, but during that time she has learned a lot.

"I learned never to underestimate my oppo-

nents," she said.

"I've also learned that if you're not focused (on training), you're not going to be able to do it. Because I have learned more and have a stronger founda-

tion, I realize the world of fighting is instincts and I can't master it all," Pereira said she remains focused on improving her skills as a fighter.

"I've also had a lot of

supporters and it was amazing to see people I didn't even know cheer me on at competitions."

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45% of unemployed have post-secondary education

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Elaine Pihach: A study of food bank clients and reasons for smoking received responses like these: That's the only time I felt in control. It's my one and only thing I enjoy.

"I'm not arguing that's good," she says. "But if that's the only pleasure you feel ... People are people no matter what they're income level is."

They are lazy. They don't want to work.

People who are poor face many barriers to employment, says Catherine Livingston, Literacy. No place to shower. Lack of confidence. No formal education. Just to name a few.

A job that pays a living wage is no easy find. "Not one that can support you," she says.

Consider this from the Niagara Poverty Reduction Network: 78% of people who live in poverty, work full-time.

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The Niagara Poverty Reduction Network: Children in poverty are more likely to experience low academic achievement, health problems, early pregnancy, homelessness, lower high school graduation rates and poor employment outcomes.

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Darlene Cluffelli Parker: "Poverty has serious, long-lasting impacts on children and learning," she says. For example, many children who live in poverty can't read at the same level as their peers. If they're not healthy (lack of healthy foods, etc.), their brains don't function as well. The education system also assumes that mom and dad are reading at home with their children. "But maybe

mom and dad aren't at home because they have five jobs."

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Sarah Pennisi, director of social assistance and employment opportunities, Niagara Region.

Catherine Livingston, program manager, Housing Help Program, Community Care of St. Catharines and Thorold.

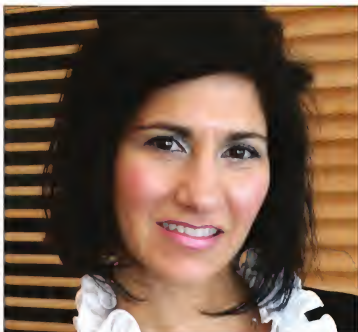
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In photo at right, Darlene Cluffelli Parker, associate professor, Faculty of Education at Brock University.



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Theatre gives outlet for self expression

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Ashley Krawczyka and Anastasia Stefanik have opened their new theatre company, Down the Rabbit Hole, which will operate out of the Sanctuary Centre for the Arts. The duo will begin offering drama classes for youth ages six to 12.

where they can express themselves.

Krawczyka, 28, and Stefanik, 29, met as children when they joined Gypsy Theatre in Fort Erie. Although the theatre no longer exists, both said the Gypsy stage became their home.

"Being in theatre gives children an outlet for self

expression," Stefanik said.

"Drama isn't always available in schools because of funding cutbacks or other reasons. And not every kid is good at certain things like sports. There are some kids who are super good at hockey, while other children need something else," she added.

That's why both Krawczyka

and Stefanik have decided to open their own theatre company called Down the Rabbit Hole Theatre Company.

"The name came out of our love for Alice in Wonderland. The name to us means a world of imagination," Stefanik said.

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International Space Station chooses a too-perfect Texan along with an aged lesbian bush doctor pilot.

Fallis will also bring copies of his new book, *No Relation*, will also be available.

Tickets are \$5 at the door, or \$25 to become a member of the Ridgeway Reads Literary Society and all spring and fall reading series events are free.

For more information about the reading series and upcoming events visit online at www.ridgewayreads.com.

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Terry Fallis will be the final author for the Ridgeway Reads Literary Series.

Underwater Recovery donates to COPE



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Last week the Fort Erie Underwater Recovery Unit delivered a selection of food items to the Fort Erie COPE group to assist in refilling the shelves for a short while. From left, Larry Mathewson, Dan McDermott, Jim Traves (president), Barb Volzke, Manager of COPE.

Bringing theatre to community

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Krawczyk and Stefanik both attended university for drama and education and have received certification to become teachers. But both said they wanted to teach children specifically in the arts.

"We both love working with children and we've both been involved with the theatre for much of our lives, Krawczyk said.

They will teach eight-week

classes beginning on May 21 at the Sanctuary Centre for the Arts in Ridgeway for children ages six to 12. The cost is \$80 per child.

At the end of the eight-week course, the children will put on a performance for family and friends.

"We want to bring it (theatre) to the community rather than having people leave to do it elsewhere," Krawczyk said.

"We'll do something different each week. We'll cover every-

thing from improvisation, to movement, story telling, choral reading and movement and mask work."

For more information about Down the Rabbit Hole Theatre Company, call Krawczyk and Stefanik at 289-696-2467 or 905-401-2575 or e-mail them at downtherabbittheatreco@gmail.com

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Social justice part of childhood

Sarah Ferguson
Fort Erie Times

As a lifelong Fort Erie resident, Theresa Anzovino knows the importance of understanding diversity. "My experience with diversity comes from growing up in a family that was very involved in working with refugees in the community."

Anzovino's family was one of several families in the community that assisted incoming refugees fleeing persecution.

"At that time when I was growing up, there was a group of families in Fort Erie that learned from an immigration officer that many people crossing the border had no place to go," she said.

"These families decided they would help and starting hosting people out of their homes."

Anzovino's parents welcomed many refugees into her home and helped them "in different ways."

"Social justice was part of my early childhood," she said.

As the need for more families needed to host refugees grew, Casa El Norte, A transitional home that offers shelter for refugees coming into Canada, and the Fort Erie Multicultural Centre.

When Anzovino pursued post secondary education, it made sense to study social justice and equality.

"When I finished, I worked in a number of small jobs. I started teaching English as a second language and I worked with the multicultural centre and eventually became the director. I worked there for 14 years, which was a life-changing experience," Anzovino said.

"Refugees have changed the face of Fort Erie and

the Niagara region."

For the last eight years, Anzovino has taught Sociology at Niagara College and recently published her book *Walk a Mile: Experiencing and Understanding Diversity in Canada*.

"I have found my niche (teaching at Niagara College) and I love it. I wonder how I can be so lucky to be doing what I love doing on a daily basis."

Anzovino's book is co-authored by Dr. Deborah Boutilier with contributed chapters by Samah

Anzovino was also the recipient of the Faculty Award of Excellence by Niagara College this September.

"It was a great honour. I haven't been at Niagara College that long."

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Lifelong passion for social justice led Theresa Anzovino to her career teaching Sociology at Niagara College and publishing her own book.

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Cadet sets his sights high

Sarah Ferguson
Fort Erie Times

There's nothing Gareth Nielsen loves more than the feeling of being in the air.

The 17-year-old Lakeshore Catholic High School student said there is 'nothing better' than flying.

"When you get up there, it's freeing," Nielsen, who is a flight ser-

geant with the Air Cadets 337 Squadron, has been accepted into the Central Region Power Scholarship Summer Training Course, a prestigious program, where he will earn his private pilot licence.

Nielsen has also obtained more than 20 hours of flight time and passed required examinations. For his efforts, Nielsen has received his Familiarization rating from

the Southern Ontario Gliding School which allows him to instruct junior cadets and fly them during weekend training.

"I've always like it (flying), even when I was a young kid," Nielsen said.

Joining the air cadets, which meets every Wednesday evening at the Fort Erie Lelsureplex, has allowed Nielsen to realize his



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dream of flying.

"This (being an air cadet) is my opportunity (to fly). Private flying lessons are expensive and it's something my parents would not otherwise be able to afford," he said.

Nielsen joined the air cadets when he was 12 years-old and has spent the last four summers training to earn his private pilot licence. He is a graduate of the Royal Canadian Air Cadet Basic Training Course, the Rifle Coaching Course and the Advanced Aviation Course.

Last summer, he graduated from the Glider Scholarship Course at 8 Wing Trenton.

Nielsen said his hard work and effort have paid off, but obtaining the credentials from the Southern Ontario Gliding School was difficult.

"The first time I applied, I didn't get accepted into the program. But I picked up my stuff and I did it again," he said.

"I'm sure at some point I thought at parts (that I wanted to quit) but this is something that I have always wanted to do and I never gave up."

If Nielsen could offer advice to his fellow cadets who are working toward their private pilot licence it would be this: "Keep at it and work harder. The harder you work at something, the better your results will be."

Nagging can be a health hazard, study says

QMI Agency

Keep nagging your man and you'll send him to an early grave, a new study claims.

Carried out by scientists at the University of Copenhagen and published in the journal of Epidemiology and Community Health, the study says men may be more significantly affected because they tend to keep problems bottled up

and have weaker support networks than women.

According to The Independent, scientists studied data from 9,875 men and women between the ages of 36 and 52. All were asked questions about their everyday social relationships.

Researchers analyzed the connection between recurrent arguments and general worry in relationships and mortality, and discovered that people who had reported frequent demands from a

partner had a 50-100% increased mortality risk. Those who experienced regular conflicts within any type of relationship had two to three times increased mortality risk, they claim.

"Having an argument every now and then is fine, but having it all the time seems dangerous," study researcher Rikke Lund, an associate professor of medical sociology at University of Copenhagen, said. "Worrying about people

is a character of us loving them. It's just when it takes up all of your time that it's unhealthy."

About one in 10 participants in the study said their partners or children were a frequent source of worry or placed excess demands on them.

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Study suggests those who are nagged frequently have a 50 to 100% increased mortality risk.



Wine and chocolate won't help you live longer

QMI Agency

Drink red wine and eat chocolate for fun, but don't expect it to improve your health, a new study says.

Researchers from Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore looked at data from a study involving 783 elderly men and women who lived in two villages in the Chianti Region of Italy between 1998 and 2009.

They wanted to see if resveratrol, the compound found in red wine, chocolate and grapes that's been credited with better heart health, actually has the health benefits it's been credited with.

The researchers used urine tests to look for resveratrol levels.

During nine years of follow-up, 268 participants died. Of those who were free of cardiovascular disease, 27.2% developed it during the follow-up, while 4.6% of those who were cancer-free

in 1998 developed cancer.

The researchers found there was "no association between urinary resveratrol metabolites and longevity" and resveratrol "does not have a substantial influence on inflammation, cardiovascular disease, cancer, or longevity."

The study has been published in the Journal of the American Medical Association Internal Medicine.

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Analogous: 2 or 3 colours that are beside each other on the colour wheel (red, orange and yellow).

Complimentary: Colours that are opposites on the colour wheel (red/green; orange/blue; yellow/

Polychromatic: A mix of various colours.

Triad: 3 colours that are spaced evenly around the colour wheel (violet, green, orange).

I'll talk a little more about each type of colour scheme and offer some examples in upcoming articles.

Gabrielle Taddi is a member of the Fort Erie Committee to Bloom.



Deftillo juxtaposed with an antique farm plow makes a bold statement with the contrast not only of colours, but materials as well. Heather Light's garden on Ridge Rd pulls various natural elements together to showcase a beautiful country garden.

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Committee to Bloom is committed to fostering civic pride, environmental responsibility and beautification through community involvement and the challenge of a national program, with a focus on enhancing green spaces in communities.

New home, new life

Alison Langley
QMI Agency Niagara

Kristy Montgomery promised herself she wouldn't cry.

She broke that promise in a matter of minutes.

Emotion overtook the mother of two Thursday as she stood at an empty lot that will soon be transformed into a three-bedroom, 1,033-square-foot bungalow.

"This is like winning the lottery to us," she said.

"There's no better way to describe it."

Montgomery and her fiance Bernie Korten are the recipients of Habitat for Humanity Niagara's next build.

The home, on Rosedale Dr. will be the agency's 42nd home built in the Niagara region.

"I just can't express how welcome we feel in the community and how excited we are to be able to raise our children in happy, healthy, stable environment," Montgomery added.

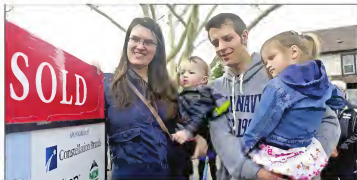
"This house will be cherished and loved."

The Habitat program provides selected low-income families with a new home. It's considered a hand up, not a hand out.

"Our houses are not given away, despite what most people might think," explained Peter McConnell, chairman of the Habitat Niagara board.

"Our partner families own their Habitat homes and repay a mortgage, like everyone else."

A Habitat mortgage carries no interest and requires no down pay-



ALISON LANGLEY QMI Agency Niagara

Kristy Montgomery and Bernie Korten, together with their children Violet and Benjamin, are the recipients of Habitat for Humanity Niagara's next build. The home, on Rosedale Dr. will be the agency's 42nd home built in the Niagara region.



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The families must also provide 500 hours of sweat equity by volunteering with Habitat for Humanity in the community.

The Korten family has already volunteered almost 300 hours towards that goal.

The project will be the first "community build" for Habitat for Humanity Niagara, explained chief executive officer Alastair

Davis.

In the past, homes were built through a partnership with the District School Board of Niagara.

The latest home will be built by representatives from local organizations, community groups and service clubs.

"This is a chance for our partners and donors to come together," Davis said.

Staff at Constellation Brands, which owns Vincor Canada wineries, is eager

to get to work, said president Ben Dollard.

"Congratulations on what will be an amazing journey ahead for you, and for us as a company," he told the family.

The couple are currently living in a cramped 700-square-foot apartment in Niagara Falls with their two young children, Violet, two, and eight-month-old Benjamin.

Friends since grade school, the duo plan to get married in June.

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Hudak defends plan to cut public-sector jobs

Ray Spiteri
QMI Agency Niagara

It's unclear how many public-sector jobs would be lost in Niagara if a Tim Hudak-led provincial government made good on a promise to chop 100,000 civil servant positions across Ontario.

"We'll be smart, we'll be thoughtful," the Progressive Conservative leader said when asked what his pledge would mean for government workers in his home region.

"This basically takes us down to 2009 levels of employment in government — it's expanded that much."

Hudak toured Stanpac, a manufacturing company in Smithville, Monday as part of the provincial election campaign.

He said a PC government would bring energy bills under control, which would allow employees to create 40,000 new private-sector jobs.

It's part of Hudak's eight-year million-jobs plan, which he said can be accomplished if government can help create a climate for businesses to succeed, and if the size and cost of government is reduced.

Hudak said currently, companies are shipping jobs and opportunities to other provinces and U.S. states with significantly lower hydro rates.

Murray Bain, vice-president of marketing at Stanpac, said the company owns two plants — one in Smithville and one in Texas.

"Hydro rates at our plant in Texas are 60% lower than they are here," he said. "Corporate welfare provided only a short-term solution. In order for Stanpac to grow and remain competitive in Ontario, we need a govern-



MIKE DIBATTISTA Niagara Falls Review

Ontario PC Leader Tim Hudak said his government will allow employers to create 40,000 new jobs by guaranteeing affordable energy, as part of his party's million-jobs plan. On Monday, May 12, 2014, he toured Stanpac, a manufacturing plant in Smithville.

ment with a plan to bring predictable and affordable energy back to Ontario. We feel Tim Hudak is the only leader with that plan."

The Liberal government said for the third time in a week, Hudak visited a business that is flourishing after they partnered with them.

The government said they

worked with Stanpac in 2008 by providing a \$2.8-million loan, which helped the company expand its operations, invest in new machinery and create 80 new jobs.

The government said Stanpac's Smithville site is still hiring.

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Bouquet for a mother
A bouquet for my mom because without her, I couldn't have planned my wedding. She did a lot of the leg work, ran errands, and gave us that extra breath of fresh air that we needed. Thanks Mom for all of your hard work. We really appreciate it.

Bouquet for Ridgeway residents
A big bouquet for the residents of Ridgeway. When my husband and I were taking our two Britanny spaniels to the vet in Ridgeway on two weeks ago, they jumped out of our vehicle when we opened the back hatch. All of the motorists that were driving stopped as they knew we were trying to retrieve them and watched to make sure that they did not get

hit by any cars. Also to two individuals that actually helped us retrieve them. It's nice to know that there are still some very caring people in the world. Our dogs are like our children. Thank you so very much.

Brick for thieves
A brick for the person or persons that stole our collectables from our property in Crystal Beach. Every time we go on a vacation trip we always come back to missing items or damage to our property. It makes for a warm and fuzzy feeling.

Bouquet for Crystal Beach Couple
A bouquet for the Crystal Beach couple who donned hip waders and rubber gloves to spend weeks cleaning the ditch that runs along the wooded roadside, on Schooley Ave. between Rebstock and Michener Roads. This corridor is a favourite spot for drive by dumpers who discard garbage bags and all manner of trash. The cleaners told me they even found a pregnancy test. Their pickup truck was loaded to capacity. Kudos to you both for your community pride.

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Biolyse vows to fight government suspension

Don Fraser
QMI Agency Niagara

Only a skeleton staff remains at Biolyse Pharma, as its president vows to fight a licence suspension.

About 35 of its staff of 60 are on temporary leave at the St. Catharines company which makes the injectable chemotherapy drug paclitaxel.

On April 11, Health Canada pulled the firm's licence citing an inspection since January that showed "significant concerns" in areas such as manufacturing, chemical and microbiological testing and documentation.

Biolyse, which says it supplied about 80% of the drug

to the Canadian market, said the inspection process was seriously flawed — a charge Health Canada disputes.

The federal department has also not recalled previous batches of the drug that have been manufactured at the Welland Vale Rd. facility.

It says Biolyse is not permitted to sell paclitaxel from that facility to the Canadian market until "the serious manufacturing concerns are fully addressed and the suspension on their establishment licence is lifted."

While the department is still working with the firm, it is not known when, or if this will take place.

"We're basically shut down right now," said Biolyse president Brigitte Kiecken on Monday. "But

we're still fighting."

Kiecken adds her company was poised to add a new clean room and at least another 200 people to make new cancer drugs.

"We were in the process of expanding and we have two products being reviewed here ... 14 were on their way," she said. "All this has stopped."

In a release, Biolyse says it is the only Canadian manufacturer of paclitaxel for injection.

The company maintains it has driven the price of its generic product — used for treatment in cancers like lung and breast — down significantly over the years.



JULIE JOCSAK QMI Agency Niagara

File photo of Biolyse Pharma president Brigitte Kiecken, who was photographed with some of her staff at Biolyse Pharma on Wellandvale Ave. in St. Catharines.

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Shrinking public payroll would save billions, says Hudak

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During Monday's press conference at Stanpeck, Hudak told media he was confident the jobs lost in the

public sector would be made up by the private sector if taxes are more affordable, if hydro is lowered and if government can reduce its debt.

He said shrinking the public payroll by 10% would save \$2 billion and help balance the budget by 2016.

Frontline service providers such as nurses, doctors

and police would not be touched, he said. While he would keep full-day kindergarten, Hudak said he would change the staffing model and increase some class sizes. The move would mean fewer teachers would be required in the future.

"This is not an easy thing to do and this impacts on my family, too," Hudak told QMI Agency Niagara.

"But when I talk to job creators in Niagara Falls or Smithville or Toronto, they tell me the most important thing to give them confidence to hire more people is to get the books balanced and spend within your means.

"Governments that are deep in debt, they actually chase away jobs, that's why we've lost 300,000 good manufacturing jobs, a lot in Niagara."

The PCs would axe a number of government programs and agencies, such as Local Health Integration Networks.

LHINs are provincial agencies, including in Niagara, responsible for health-care funding and planning in different regions across Ontario.

"If I have to close down the LHINs so I could build the south Niagara hospital, I'd do that in a second," said

Hudak.

Larry Savage, director for Brock University's Centre for Labour Studies, said he doesn't believe Hudak's jobs plan "adds up."

"It would be incredibly difficult, if not impossible, to see 1.1 million jobs created to fulfill that commitment," said Savage.

He said cutting that many public jobs would actually put more of a strain on taxpayers because more people would rely on the public purse for employment insurance and potentially social assistance.

Savage said it would hurt the "purchasing power" of people that would be unemployed, leading to a "direct negative impact on the private sector."

"Think of some of the bigger employers in the Niagara region — Niagara Health System, Brock University, Niagara College — these are all potential targets for the 100,000 in jobs that are lost."

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Man with 'need' to kill undergoing more tests

Karena Walter
QMI Agency Niagara

A St. Catharines man who tried to stab a woman to death in Niagara Falls will undergo further assessment at the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health.

Peter Ashford, 21, pleaded guilty to attempted murder in November 2013 but has not yet been sentenced because the Crown applied to have him undergo a psychological assessment.

The assessment could be used by the Crown for an application to find Ashford a dangerous or long-term offender.

On Monday in St. Catharines, the Crown asked that an assessment order from March 12, 2014 be amended because assessors require more time for testing.

Ashford, who appeared briefly in the Ontario Court of Justice, is scheduled to undergo phallometric testing at the Centre for Addiction and Mental

Health's Sexual Behaviours Clinic this week.

His next court date is June 16.

Ashford remains in custody after stabbing a woman at a Super 8 hotel on Ferry St. on Feb. 10, 2013.

The court heard previously he told his family he was going to buy gas in Niagara Falls, but instead arranged to meet an escort at the hotel. He showed up at the meeting with a six-inch blade up his sleeve and stabbed the woman twice in the abdomen when she

turned her back. The court heard he wanted to have sex with a person who was dying or freshly killed.

Ashford testified during a sentencing hearing in January that he didn't want to stab the woman but felt a "need" to do it.

Dangerous offenders are sentenced to jail for an indefinite period of time. Long-term offenders can be placed on probation for up to 10 years after they are released from jail.

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St. Catharines Courthouse

Kiecken wants "properly-trained" inspectors

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Biolyse is argues its product will otherwise be available from unreliable supply sources, including the American drug manufacturer Hospira. "It's questionable, Hospira might be able to keep it up for a while but I don't think it's a reliable source," Kiecken said.

"As for Biolyse, we have never had a back order

Health Canada says there will be an adequate alternate supply of the drug for domestic treatment needs.

Biolyse's release also strongly disputes the federal agency's concerns about its production process.

"(Our) manufacturing process is supported by sound scientific evidence, which substantiates the safety of the manufacturing method, environmental conditions and testing methods which all reflect the requirements of the good manufacturing guidelines," the release said.

"Supportive data and trend monitoring was available to the inspectors."

Kiecken said one Health Canada concern was essentially

over a "visualization" or fog test of appropriate air flow in its clean room.

"Nothing has anything to do with risk over what we're doing here," she said. "Is that a reason to close a company?"

Kiecken wants an inspection reassessment done by "properly-trained" inspectors using a correct review process.

Hospira was sent an e-mailed request for an interview on Monday, but

no response was available by deadline.

Gary Holub of Niagara Health Canada said for a company to receive and maintain its establishment license "it simply has to comply with (good management practices)."

City of St. Catharines' economic development manager Brian York said the city is working with all levels of government to resolve the situation.

"We are committed to

ensuring their (facility enlargement) gets built out," York said, adding Biolyse has been identified as being part of a growing sector in the area's economy.

"I'm hoping there's a resolution here," York said.

Meunville St. Catharines city councillors voted unanimously Monday to support the company's efforts.

Mayor Brian McMullan said he will be both phoning and sending a letter to Health Minister Rona

Ambrose, asking for her "immediate intervention... to ensure the long-term viability of the company's operations, manufacturing and distribution of cancer-fighting drugs in Canada."

Port Daulhouse Coun. Bruce Williamson said the city also wants to ensure the safety of the drug, adding that to the motion.

McMullan said the city needs a company like Biolyse, with its potential to offer employment to dozens

of skilled workers, as a key component of the Region's bio-science sector.

The city's call for assistance is also being sent to Ontario Premier Kathleen Wynne, St. Catharines MP Rick Dykstra, Welland MP Malcolm Allen, St. Catharines MPP Jim Bradley and Niagara Region, asking for their support.

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Heart doctor didn't miss a beat when returning home

Grant LaFleche
CMI Agency Niagara

For a long time, Niagara has been the kind of place you grow up to get out of.

As the economy took a turn for the worst and the region's life blood, manufacturing, fell into steep decline, many of those with talent and skill left for greener pastures.

For a time, Dr. Jaffer Syed was one of those people. He is a graduate of West Park high school and did his pre-medical education at Brock University.

But if he wanted to pursue a career as a physician, Syed would have to leave St. Catharines.

He attended the University of Toronto for medical school and ended up spending more than a decade specializing in cardiac care.

"That was 12 years of training beyond Brock University," Syed said.

Although he wanted to return with his family to Niagara, a place he still considered home, the region didn't offer much for a cardiologist.

Local hospitals had only minimal cardiac care programs. Patients who needed any level of medical intervention — from an angiogram to open heart surgery — were sent to Hamilton.

Not exactly the best envi-

ronment for a doctor looking to sharpen his skills and build a career.

"The funny thing was when I was going into a fellowship to train in angioplasty (in 2008), which is the procedure we are doing here (at the NHS) now, and at that point I was exploring options to coming back here locally," said Syed.

While he was looking at possible options to return home,



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Niagara Health System photo. Dr. Jaffer Syed pictured at the Niagara Health System in St. Catharines.

Syed had some conversations with Dr. Sven Pallie. Then, as now, Pallie was the head of cardiology in Niagara.

They exchanged emails about the state of cardiac care in Niagara. Pallie was up front. They were lobbying for a heart investigation unit but otherwise things had not changed.

"He was hopeful they would get (an investigation unit) but the thing was I

needed a job right away," Syed said. "In my line of work if you don't get a job right away after your training you are already out of date and you're not likely to get a job."

Instead of coming home, Syed went to the University of Western Ontario where he worked for seven years.

Things change, however, and the design for a new St. Catharines hospital included a heart investiga-

tion unit that would, for the first time in Niagara's history, provide angiograms locally.

Syed said he found out about the lab from colleagues working on the plan during a conference a couple of years ago.

"They said 'Hey guess what, we are doing this exciting thing in Niagara and we need to have some staff to help us run it and we think you'd be a good fit'."

For Syed, the proposition was perfect. He could return to his roots in Niagara, practice his skills and be part of building an entirely new medical program for the region. When the new unit started accepting patients, Syed was part of a new group of cardiologists treating them.

"The model that ended up being established, very much an integrated partnership between this new hospital and McMaster, was very exciting. That is what really drew me," Syed said.

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Brother Bands Made with Love benefit heart and stroke

Sarah Ferguson
Fort Erie Times

Blake Jamieson loves everything about survival, hunting, camping and exploring.

The eight-year-old Our Lady Of Victory School student wanted to use his passion for survival to honour his six-year-old brother Tyson.

"Tyson had a stroke when he was a baby, and we like bracelets and things like survival and hunting," Blake explained.

The Grade 3 student, with the help of his mom, Kim, and

dad, Durrell, has created a wide variety of BBandz—Brother Bands Made With Love—in honour of Tyson.

All of the proceeds from the bands, which range from \$2 to \$8, depending on size and colour, will go toward the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

Blake said he is excited about selling bands and donating the money to the Heart and Stroke Foundation on behalf of his brother.

"I love having a brother. He always plays with me and we have fun every second of the day."

Kim Jamieson said her son Tyson suffered a stroke while in utero and when he was eight months old, Kim noticed

Tyson would make a fist with his left hand and he couldn't seem to relax it.

Tyson has received therapy since he was 12 months-old, and continues to improve despite several setbacks due to his stroke.

Blake said

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From left, Tyson Jamieson shows wristbands his brother, Blake Jamieson, has created and sold to benefit the Heart and Stroke Foundation. Tyson suffered a stroke in utero and Blake wanted to do something special to honour his brother and help others in need.

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Registration is open at Hogwarts and they want you! This month it's Herbology class. Let's see who can pot up the best Mandrake. Grades 5 and up. \$2. Fort Erie Public Library Crystal Ridge branch. 4 p.m. to 5 p.m.

MAY 21
RUINS OF CRYSTAL

Beach. Local author and historian June Chipp shares her research and her book about the Erie Beach ruins. Partnership with the Bertie Historical Society. Please note later start time. Fort Erie Public Library Crystal Ridge branch. 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

MAY 22
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MAY 24
THERAPY TAILS

Come and read to the Therapy Tails dogs. Does your child need a bit of extra reading help? Is your child fearful of dogs? This program is perfect for you. Research shows that kids of all ages benefit from reading out loud, and the Therapy Tails dogs are the best listeners. Fort Erie Public Library Centennial branch. 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.

ONGOING
WALKING GROUP

The Walking Group meets twice weekly, Mondays and Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 10 am at the Leisureplex next to the Town Hall on Garrison Road. The group is open to anyone, but the focus is toward individuals with Diabetes who find it difficult maintaining an adequate activity level during the winter months. Services include pedometers for measuring distance, hand held

tally counters for measuring laps, glucometers, a log book and resources for Diabetes management.

SOCIAL GROUP

Drop in for a warm beverage and some lively conversation the first and third Tuesday of every month. 10 a.m. to noon. Bridges Community Health Centre, Fort Erie, 1485 Garrison Rd. No registration required. For more information call 905-871-7621.

PARENTING NETWORK

group which meets monthly on the last Wednesday of each month from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Meetings provide support for caregivers of children, youth or adults with autism, a developmental disability, or mental health issues. Bridges Community Health Centre, Fort Erie.

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BOWEN ROAD

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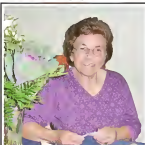
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MILLER- John George Christopher
The family of the late "Chris" Miller would like to extend their most heartfelt thanks for the outpouring of support and kindness during the illness and passing of their cherished husband, father and grandfather.

Were overwhelmed by the floral tributes, fruit baskets, sympathy cards, donations and thoughtful little gifts we have received. You are all so kind and caring!

The family would like to extend special thanks to Dr. Canadi, Dr. "Sam" Puvertien, and Dr. Scher, the staff at Douglas Memorial, and most of all, to the wonderful staff at MAPLE PARK LODGE. Your professional efforts, your kindness, and your compassion during Chris' battle, will never be forgotten by our family. To Shirley Hawley, you'll always hold a special place, for all your calm assistance. Thanks to Jack Cox, Pat Street and the members of Royal Canadian Legion Branch #71 for a lovely service, and to "the ladies" wonderful luncheon.

Finally, thanks to Niagara Funeral Arrangements for their professional care and handling of the arrangements.



BURKLEY, Virginia "Mavis" (Nee Pollard) - born July 23, 1938 in Welland, Ontario, passed away May 10th, 2014 in Fort Erie, Ontario. Loving mother of Pam and Mike Rershaw. Cherished grandmother of Semintha. One of 9 children of the late James and Vera Pollard, she is survived by her brothers Ken (Ann), Doug (Betty) and Keith and her sister Diana. She is also survived by her sister in law Helen Pollard and her many nieces and nephews. Predeceased by her sisters Tella and Lorelle and brothers Ron and Roland as well as her sister in law Blanche, brother in law John Threlall and her companion Herb Deare. The family extend special thanks to Dr. Scher, Dr. Che and Dona Donald as well as the staff of Maple Park Lodge for their compassion and dignified care. The family will celebrate Virginia's Life on Wednesday morning at 11 am in the Chapel of JAMES L. PEDLAR FUNERAL HOME, 1292 Pelham Street, Fortnith. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Alzheimer's Society would be appreciated by the family.

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with all her heart*

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CLINE, Ruth Eleanor - On Monday May 5th, 2014, Ruth peacefully passed away at Douglas Memorial Hospital at the age of 91 years. She is predeceased by husband Arthur and son Dennis. She is survived by children Bonnie Moffat, Jerry Cline, Judy (Ivan) Winger and Stacia (Jack) Stapleton, fifteen grandchildren, thirty four great grandchildren and eleven great great grandchildren. Special cousin Mary Cosby and special puppy "Cookie". She is predeceased by sisters Helen Nevinger, Marie Morningstar and Stella Hawkins. Ruth will be missed by many nephews and nieces. **WILLIAMS FUNERAL SERVICES**, 722 Ridge Rd. North entrusted with arrangements. The family received friends on Thursday evening from 7:00 pm and on Friday from 10 am until the time of service in the chapel at 11 am. Interment followed at Bertie Cemetery. Donations in her memory can be made to the Canadian Cancer Society or to Camp Kahkiah.

HOOPER, Cheryl Marlene - Cheryl passed away at the Greater Niagara General Hospital on Tuesday May 5th, 2014. Loving mother of Rebecca (Darren Lund) Schwyer and Brett (Melinda) Schwyer. Cherished grandmother of Brendan, Caleb, Canyon, Jack and Nicole. Survived by her sisters Linda (Neil) Campbell and Diane Hooper and her brother Kevin (Nancy) Hooper, her nieces, nephews and extended family. Predeceased by her parents Jack and Audrey Hooper and her brother Wayne. **BENNER FUNERAL SERVICES** 1105 Benner Ave Fort Erie entrusted with arrangements. The family will receive friends on Monday May 12th from 2 pm until the time of funeral in the Chapel at 3 p.m. Interment to follow in Ridgeway Memorial Cemetery. If so desired, donations in Cheryl's memory can be made to the Canadian Cancer Society.

LEWIS, Betty Jane - Betty passed away on May 7th 2014 at the Niagara Falls General Hospital at the age of 86. Cherished mother of Gary (Ada) of Niagara Falls. Sadly missed by grandchildren Bradley, Darin, Michael and Michelle and her great grandchildren. Also survived by daughter-in-law Linda. Predeceased by her son Frank and her brother Bill Watts. **BENNER FUNERAL SERVICES**, 1105 Benner Ave, Fort Erie entrusted with arrangements. The family will receive friends on Tuesday May 13th from 11 am until the time of service in the Chapel at 1 pm. If so desired, donations to the Alzheimer's Society would be appreciated by the family.

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